amended in 1985 and as such no separate directions in this regard are necessary.

Amendment of emigration Act

1200. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to amend the Emigration Act in order to make it more effective to monitor the flow of Indian workers abroad and to protect their interests;

(b) if so, the details of the amendments likely to be made in the Emigration Act;

(c) whether Government propose to have views of the State Governments also before amending the Act; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and to what extent the amendments would curb illegal manpower export to other countries?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) and (b) There are no firm proposals in this regard so far.

(c) Question does not arise in view of answer (a) & (b) above.

(d) The Emigration Act, 1983 and the Rules made thereunder already contain various provisions intended to check illegal manpower export.

Scarcity of Wheelsets

1201. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the wagon Industry in the country has been languishing for long due to scarcity of wheelsets produced by its own Wheel and Axle Plan (WAP) at Bangalore;

(b) if so, the total production of wheelsets made by Wheels Axle Plant during the past three years and the number of wheelsets imported by Government during the last three years;

(c) whether Government have taken any steps to improve the production capacity of wheelsets in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI AJAY SINGH): (a) and (b) No, Sir. There has been an upward trend in wagon production from 1987-88 onwards, as will be seen from the figures given below:—

Year	Production in terms of Four Wheelers
1987-88.	15,898
1988-89.	21,535
1989-90.	23,626
1990-91.	23,000 (Target)

Requirements of wheelsets for the above level of wagon production are beyond the capacity of Wheel & Axle Plan. Bangalore (WAP) and balancing imports are necessary. Detailed below is the position of supply of wagon wheelsets and orders placed for imports.—

Year	Supplied by Wheel & Axle Plant	Orders for Imports
1987-88	23,007	8,494
1988-89	19,035	6,950
1989-90	21,390	13,005